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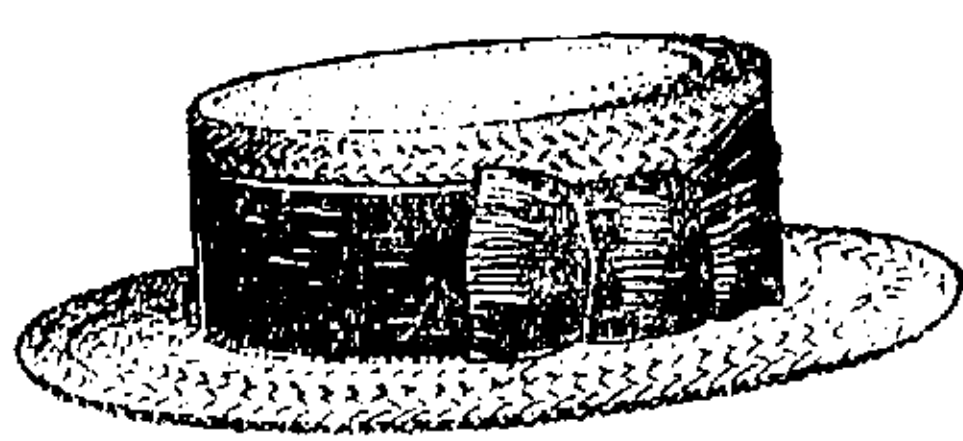
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BRITISH GAZETTE NO. 488.

Booking at ROBINSON'S.

BRITISH AND CHINESE CORPORATION.

The twentieth annual general meeting was held at the Cannon Street Hotel, London, on December 26th, with Mr. C. C. S. in the chair, who, in proposing the adoption of the report, said:

"During the year under review conditions in China remain much the same as in the last few years, and the Corporation has had no opportunity of entering into any fresh business in that country."

In addressing you last year I went pretty fully into the matter of the Non Profit Certificate of the Shanghai Nanking Railway, and informed you that the position at that time was that the Chinese Government had refused our proposal to have the question at issue before a high judicial authority in this country, and that Lord Shaw of Dunfermline had, by mutual consent, been appointed the arbitrator, that he has since acted, and that the proceedings are now pending before him. Our very able representative in Peking, Mr. Mayers, has during these troubled years, had an arduous and difficult task, and has shown great tact, firmness, and judgment in meeting many of the delicate situations with which he has been confronted. In particular, we desire to convey, through the shareholders, our appreciation of his action in the matter of a settlement of a long pending question between us and the Chinese Government with reference to a practice which had been authorised by them of making payments for services rendered by the railway to be made in inventory notes of certain Chinese banks instead of in cash. Railway Companies were flooded with a vast amount of paper which it was impossible to realise at anything like the figures at which it had been taken in. At long length a solution of the difficulty was suggested by the Government to the effect that the notes of the Chinese Banks held by the railway should be exchanged for bonds of the Chinese Government Internal Loan, and, after considerable difficulty in coming to an agreement as to certain details of the arrangement, the proposal was accepted by Mr. Mayers, on the important condition that as from January 1st, 1919, all passenger and baggage fares will be paid in cash, and no more inventory notes of the Chinese Banks will be accepted. To this the Chinese Government finally agreed, and we have pleasure in bringing to your notice the good service which Mr. Mayers has rendered in the matter. (Hear, hear.)

Having dealt with the accounts, the Chairman said the balance forward, after payment of the dividend will be £22,978, against £18,271 brought in from the previous year. He concluded with the hope that, with the close of the great European War, the disturbed political and social situation which had prevailed in China for the last five years would gradually come to an end, and that a return to some settled and stable state of affairs in the way of assisting in the development of her resources might be resumed.

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BANGKOK OPIUM CASE.
TWO SHIP'S OFFICERS CONVICTED.

The following is the judgment delivered by Mr. R. B. H. Gibbins, in the Court of Foreign Causes, Bangkok, in the case in which Messrs. Lewis & Farrar, the first and second officers of the s.s. *Linn*, were charged with smuggling opium:—

The accused in this case are charged with being in possession of 1,600 odd taunglams of opium, contrary to the Opium Regulations.

The facts which are not in dispute are as follows:—The s.s. *Linn* arrived from Singapore, en route for Hongkong and Swatow, on the 28th October. In consequence of information received, the Customs officers searched the ship and found 200 taunglams of opium in the cabin of 2nd officer Farrar, and some 1,400 odd taunglams in the cabin of chief officer Lewis. These officers, who are given excellent characters, say that they only use their cabins as dressing-rooms, and that the opium found does not belong to them and they do not know how it came there.

It is in evidence that it is unusual to search the officers' cabins, and that these cabins could easily be opened from within, and it is suggested that, taking advantage of these facts, some of the Chinese crew concealed the opium there. It is also in evidence that some Chinese have deserted since the seizure.

Mr. Brighthouse, therefore, submits that the accused should be given the benefit of the doubt.

This, however, is a Customs case and is not an ordinary prosecution, and it is therefore upon the defendants to clear themselves once it is established that they were found in their possession. If the defence raised in this case were admitted it would be almost impossible to obtain a conviction in Customs cases. We are unable to accept the defendants' story that they knew nothing about this large quantity of opium concealed in their cabins, and we further hold that they have not discharged the burden of proof which falls on them in cases of this description.

Moreover the defendants, as officers of the British Mercantile Marine, must have had experience of the English Customs Consolidation Act, the provisions of which are similar to the law applied by this Court. We, therefore, find both the accused guilty of importing opium contrary to the Opium Regulations, and we fine Mr. Lewis £4,365, being three times the value of the opium; and Mr. Farrar £1,400, being three times the value of the opium; and the opium is ordered to be confiscated. In default of payment of this fine we sentence each of the accused to two years imprisonment.

In addition to this, as the opium exceeds one hundred taels, the accused must be imprisoned, the first officer for one year and the second officer for six months, but in view of the excellent characters of these officers, we direct that this shall be a suspended sentence of imprisonment to the provisions of Rule 41, Penal Code.

The Dismissing Opinion.

Fora Sakhaun Vinitchai, Judge of the Foreign Causes Court, dissented from the order for suspension of punishment on the ground that previous good character and first offence were found in at least about 80 per cent. of offenders for suspension of punishment in cases of this kind, and the circumstances against the accused were:—1. They were officers of the Mercantile Marine, and must have had better experience of the Customs Regulations than ordinary people. 2. Being officers of a ship, they had the confidence of the Customs officials to such an extent that, according to Mr. Lewis' statement, his cabin had never once been searched before during the 18 months of the monthly trips to Bangkok. 3. The amount of opium found was exceptionally large, and if it escaped the notice of the Customs officials, it was a fortune. 4. They made no attempt to minimise the consequences of the offence, but strongly stood against it.

AN APPEAL LODGED.

Defendants applied for bail and desired to lodge an appeal. The Court fixed the bail for both defendants at Rs. 53,000. This was not forthcoming at the rising of the Court, and accordingly both defendants were removed in custody.

ARMY TRANSPORT ROMANCE.

MARRIAGE OF MR. A. CARRUTHERS.

The following is taken from the *Daily Colonist*, Vancouver, B.C.:—

He joined the ship three weeks ago—they met—and yesterday they were married. Truly a love story, but truly a true one. After thirty years in China, as Deputy Commissioner of the Chinese Customs Service, Mr. A. Carruthers joined the ambulance transport *Madras* en route for the old country. It so happened that aboard the *Madras* were two nursing sisters of the Australian Army Nursing Service, and one of these was Miss Lillian Keys. And it so happened that in three weeks, the two names mentioned found the principals in a real modern love story.

In a real modern love story, Miss Keys became Mrs. Carruthers, and they left for Vancouver on their way to England.

Miss Keys could not resign her position aboard the transport until she was married, but there was nothing to prevent her from having a week's leave. The first day of it she put herself in a position where she could go to the United Kingdom without being accused of being absent from duty.

THE PEKING SYNDICATE.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.
GOOD PROSPECTS.

The ordinary general meeting of the Peking Syndicate was held on December 17th at the Cannon Street Hotel, Mr. Thomas A. Bardon (chairman) presiding. The Chairman said: "Before receiving the adoption of the report and accounts for the year ended June 30th last, I propose to run through the various items, and also to give you an account of our doings up to date. If you will please turn to the balance sheet you will find on the debit side that the amount added to profit and loss account is £2,851, and the appropriation in the market value of our investments, £5,523. Adding these brings the total to £8,374. The only other item on this side requiring explanation is the reduction in the amount of 'Liability on capital unclaimed on shares,' which is reduced to £181,874, the difference being the second call on our holding in the Banque Industrielle de Chine, as explained in the report. On the credit side, cash at bankers and in hand is increased by £125,023 to £34,963. A new item is introduced under the head of 'Railway and other loans in China, £24,934.' This consists principally of a loan to the Board of Communications for the purchase of rolling stock for the Tiao Ching Railway, and stock for the Tiao Ching Railway, and the advantage of the use of more wagons and locomotives for the transport of our coal on that line. Investments stand at £439,300, against £221,400 in 1917, the reduction being due to the redemption of some Tiao Ching Railway Bonds, and shares in other companies at cost is increased by the amount called up on our Banque Industrielle shares, to which I have already referred."

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Mining and other shares at cost are represented by stores in stock at cost price. Our land and buildings are shown at £2,000, and at £2,000, which is the actual cost price, but far below the present value.

THE PEKING CORPORATION.

Our share of the Fu Chung Corporation profit is also shown separately, and you will notice that for the first two years more than the total for the first two years of the Corporation's existence, which is satisfactory, especially when you consider the present shortage of transport facilities, and the benefits from the in-terior trading scheme.

If you add the profit to the item of the 250 received from the sale of the syndicate's coal to the Fu Chung Corporation, less expenditure on colliery, you will arrive at the sum of £71,217, against £27,393 shown in 1917, and just under £5,000 in 1916. This marks the beginning of the improvement I predicted at the last meeting, and I again say that the extent of a further increase is principally a question of transport facilities. If you will turn to the profit and loss account you will find London expenses are slightly lower and Paris expenses are slightly higher, but there is no practically increase in the China expenditure of £25,600, of which the greater part consists of my living and travelling expenses in China, plus the amount the shareholders voted me at the last meeting as an extra remuneration for the work I did in connection with the improvement of the railway. The balance carried forward to profit and loss account is £62,281, against £27,928 in 1917.

POSITION OF INVESTMENTS CLEARED.

Interest on investments amounts to £288,445, against £79,151 last year. With reference to the remark in the auditors' report that they were unable at the date of the audit to verify a part of the investments and shares in other companies, owing to the difficulties of communication, I had better read you a letter since received from them which clears the position. It is as follows:—Dear Sir:—Since the report of the auditors to the shareholders signed by us on the 5th December, 1918, we have received a certificate from the Banque Industrielle de Chine dated Paris, the 6th December, 1918, certifying that they held at the 30th June, 1918, the investments and shares in other companies to which we referred in our report.

The question of paying a dividend has been thoroughly discussed by the Board, and it has been decided to postpone same, a decision I heartily approve of as being in the best interests of the shareholders. Under the terms of our concession we are allowed, first of all, to set aside from the profits on the mines as shown by the yearly accounts, 6 per cent. interest on the capital employed, then 10 per cent. for amortisation, after which the Chinese Government share in the profits. The amount of the actual total expenditure on the mines must be agreed upon before we can produce a colliery profit-and-loss account. This I expect to settle on my arrival in China. I ask you therefore to have a little more patience, which I am confident will be rewarded.

IMPORTANT AGENCIES SECURED.

In the past this company has relied principally on the results of the colliery and interest on investments for its revenue. The arrangements with the Marconi Company, which was concluded at the last postponed general meeting, was the commencement of a new policy. We are extending our activities by undertaking agencies for other important companies and firms who have no representative in China, with the exception of the Peking Syndicate, through its long experience with the Chinese and its sound financial standing, is in a position second to none for developing trade in China. We have in our Agent-General, Mr. J. P. Kenrick, and our Assistant Agent-General, Mr. G. W. Frodsham, two representatives of high standing who are daily in touch with the leading officials, whose confidence and personal friendship they have the privilege

of enjoying. Since my return to England in July last, I have been busy arranging new agencies, and I am pleased to be able to announce substantial progress. We have an agreement with the firm of Siemens Brothers, Ltd., to act as their sole agents in China for ten years. The future of the aircraft industry in China is enormous, and I think we can congratulate ourselves as the representatives of the best known and most up-to-date company in existence. Handley Page, Ltd. One of their machines has already been flown at an altitude of 6,500 ft. with forty-one persons on board. They have accomplished the journey from London to Cairo, and on to India, and the bombing of Constantinople was done from one of their machines flown from London. The trip from London to China is not far distant in a machine capable of accommodating fifty people. I think it is safe to assume that people will be more particular as to the make of the machine they use for this means of travel than for any other method, and it is fortunate to have secured the agency for the best machine in existence. We have in view agencies in other directions which should add to our revenue.

ARRANGEMENT WITH THE EASTERN PIONEER COMPANY.

I have also to announce an arrangement with the Eastern Pioneer Company, which concerns holders of shares with rights in Szechuan. This Province, with its 215,000 odd square miles of territory, is the largest, and is supposed to be the richest in China. It is known to contain, amongst other things, oil, coal, and potash. The journey is a long and difficult one at present, but the time is not far distant when the enormous stretch of country between there and Peking, and the main to the South and East along the Yangtze River, will be opened up by railways, when substantial progress may be expected in mining and other industries. With the Eastern Pioneer Company, we become their sole agents in China for four years, in consideration of which we have a free option on a large block of shares in the company, being about 10 per cent. of the total. It is my intention to visit Szechuan and make the acquaintance of the officials and leading merchants in the Province. I think the result of our labours in Honan, where the friendship and confidence between the Chinese and ourselves is mutual, has been sufficiently successful to encourage work to be started at Szechuan on a basis satisfactory to all parties. This trip will necessitate my being absent in the interior for a considerable time, but I have confidence in the result. I think I have told you sufficiently about the basis of a big business, and I am leaving for China in a few days to help set the ball rolling in the various directions I have indicated. Mr. Hassam, our consulting engineer, is ready to answer any technical questions, and if there is any other point in connection with the report and account that you wish explained, I will do my best to satisfy you. I now beg to move that the report and accounts for the year ended June 30th, 1918, be, and the same are hereby adopted."

Mr. André Berthelot (Managing Director) seconded the motion.

THE EASTERN PIONEER'S POTASH INTERESTS.

Mr. Henry Hamford remarked that he was the holder of each class of security in the Peking Syndicate and also a shareholder in the Eastern Pioneer Company. He was much interested in the potash undertaking of the latter, which had been discovered by the Anglo-French Corporation, in connection with whom they were told an amicable arrangement had been made. It was a good thing to hear from the chairman of security that the Eastern Pioneer Company was going to work harmoniously with the Eastern Pioneer Company for four years. He would like to ask if the chairman could tell them whether it was intended to deal with the potash undertaking within a measurable distance of time.

The chairman, in reply, said they had an option on a large block of the shares of the Eastern Pioneer Company; under the arrangement made, the Eastern Pioneer Company were to reduce the denomination of their shares to 100 each; a certain number of new shares would be created, and it would be on new shares that the Peking syndicate would have an option. He had heard a great deal about the potash discovery when in China, and say what was going to happen. The great thing in China was to arrive at an amicable arrangement with the local Chinese. When they had done that, they would be able to discuss whether it was the potash, the gold, the coal, or something else on which they started first. The motion was put and carried unanimously.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

TO-MORROW'S CONCERT.

The concert arranged by the Victoria Branch of the Ministering Children's League for to-morrow night, at the City Hall, bids fair to be as successful as the children's entertainment held on Wednesday. The first part of the programme will consist of the Fan Dance, Spanish Dance, Piarote and Piarote, French Dance, Serpentine, Dance and Flower Ballet by the little ones.

The second part will be as follows:—Pianoforte solo—(a) "Eloise," and (b) "Rhapsody." First, piano, by Miss A. Gordon (violin obligato by Miss J. Gordon); violin solo, "Iro Polonaise Brillante" Mrs. Dalton; song, "The Bells," Mrs. Marley; song—(a) "The Bells" (I. Fagleson) and (b) "The Bells" (Musgrave)—Mr. G. Anderson (humorous dialogue, Mrs. Thornton and Borg Chavvan; Sketch: "The Lady Typist."

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE ANNA ALMEIDA CASE.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."

SIR, With reference to the Anna Almeida case, which was reported in your issue of February 15th and brought to my notice on the night of the 15th inst., I beg, through the medium of your valuable paper, to refute the allegations made against me in Court by Mr. Goldring. There is not the slightest foundation for his client's statement.

Mr. Goldring said that when his client was deported she left her furniture, value \$78, to be disposed of, and the money was in the hands of a Police Officer who was no longer in the Force (Sergeant Fowler). He also stated that he had done his best to recover that money, but that the result seemed doubtful.

As regards the money being in my hands or the furniture having been left to me to be disposed of, there is not the slightest truth in that statement. I never received any monies belonging to Anna Almeida, nor did I undertake to dispose of her furniture, being at that time a Police officer and not a furniture broker. If Mr. Goldring had made proper inquiries from the Police as to my whereabouts and asked me for an explanation as to the money and furniture, I would have given evidence in Court. No inquiries of any description have been made of me about the case. I believe Mr. Goldring's client was under the impression that I had left the Colony, as I was to have left on February 7th.

Yours sincerely,

G. FOWLER

(Ex-Police, H.K. Police)

Hongkong, February 20th, 1919

SAILOR'S ROUGH TRIP ON THE MATRIMONIAL SEA.

WIFE APPEALS FOR SUPPORT.

At the Magistracy, yesterday, a Chinese woman applied to Mr. J. R. Wood for an order on her husband to maintain her.

Mr. Lee d'Almeida appeared for the husband, who, he said, was a quarter-master on the *Aurora*. He asked for a remand as the vessel was leaving and there was no time to obtain witnesses.

Mr. Wood: What is the woman to do in the meantime?

Mr. Almeida: That I cannot say. The facts of the case are, that on some date in 1917 my client had the misfortune to break his right arm by accident on board, and it was feared that he would be disabled for life. Consequently, in March, 1918, the woman left his protection of her own accord, as she thought that the task of supporting her husband would fall on her shoulders. My client did not see his wife again until he received the summons. The summons states that the woman left in September, but that is not correct. He never sent her away. Now the woman, finding that the man's arm has recovered and that he has employment, thinks it best to apply for maintenance. I have endeavoured to effect a reconciliation.

Mr. Wood: What about making a deposit?

Mr. Almeida: The man is to be paid \$20, but has not received his salary as yet.

Complaint stated that she was living in Des Vaux Road. She had been married for over seven years, and lived with her husband up to September 10th, 1918. They had no children. On September 10th, defendant was not at home, and had not returned since then, thereby leaving her without any support. He had previously given her \$12 a month. She had asked defendant to support her, but he refused. She was defendant's 3rd wife, and she wished to go back and live with her husband.

The Magistrate remarked that he was not sure whether the woman left her husband; she was living in the same cubicle all the while. He thought the woman deserved to be helped. The man ought to support his wife.

Mr. Almeida replied that if what his client said was true—that the woman left him just because she feared he would be disabled for life—then the woman deserved no sympathy at all. He had endeavoured to effect a reconciliation.

Mr. Wood adjourned the case to see if matters could be settled amicably.

THE JOCKEY CLUB RACES.

YESTERDAY'S TRAINING.

With the near approach of the Races, increased interest is being evinced in the performances of the ponies on the training track in the morning, and greater discrimination is now possible. Recent performances have shown that many calculations will be upset if the weather proves wet. Yesterday, the course was fast, and, with the wind behind them in the straight, many of the ponies did what seemed to be remarkably good gallops. It is scarcely to be expected that such favourable conditions will obtain for the races.

It is estimated that there will be over a dozen starters in the Derby. The most popular candidates are Footlight, Alexander, Wisdom, Grey Mouse and Valley King.

The following are some of yesterday's times:

DERBY PONIES

"Sandy" galloped over the mile in 2mins. 15.2secs. seconds, covering the last quarter in 30.1secs.

"Alexander" and "Wisdom" went in company over a mile and a quarter. They did the first three-quarters in 1min. 43secs., taking 31.4secs. over the last quarter. "Wisdom" finished in front in 2mins. 49.1secs., "Alexander" being three-fifths of a second behind.

"Pink Eye" went over a mile and a half in 3mins. 41secs., taking 1min. 57.2secs. over the three-quarters, 2mins. 33secs. for the mile, and 32.3secs. for the last quarter.

"Dusky" went a mile and a half in 3mins. 36.2secs., taking 1min. 49.2secs. for the first three-quarters and 2mins. 26.2secs. for the mile.

"Club" took matters easily over a mile and a quarter on the inside course, covering the first three-quarters in 2mins. 13secs., and finishing in 3mins. 13.1secs.

"Charet" negotiated a mile and a quarter in 3mins. 0.1secs., taking 1min. 51.1secs. over the three-quarters.

"Napoo" and "Blighty" finished the last quarter of a half-mile gallop in 30.1secs.

"Stiggins" and "Torbay" did a quarter of a mile in 29.2secs. "Torbay" finished a head in point.

"Grouse" took 2mins. 50secs. over the mile-and-a-quarter, covering the first three-quarters in 1min. 42.3secs. and the mile in 2mins. 17secs.

SUBSCRIPTION PONIES.

"Morning Star" negotiated a mile-and-a-quarter in 3mins. 9.1secs., taking 1min. 47.2secs. for the three-quarters and 2mins. 36.2secs. for the mile.

"Spade" galloped a mile-and-a-quarter in 2mins. 58secs., taking 1min. 45.4secs. over the first three-quarters and 30secs. for the last quarter.

"Variety" and "Fairdoze" galloped over a mile in company, "Fairdoze" finishing in 2mins. 25secs. and "Variety" 10secs. later.

OLD PONIES.

"Night Hawk" galloped over a mile-and-a-quarter, starting at an easy pace, and finishing very well indeed. It did the first quarter in 40.2secs., the first three-quarters in 1min. 58secs., and the course in 3mins. 21.5secs.

"Tyram Chief" negotiated a mile-and-a-quarter in 2mins. 58secs., covering the first three-quarters in 1min. 15secs. and the last quarter in 31.2secs.

"North Star" was timed over the last three-quarters of a gallop over a mile, taking 1min. 48secs.

"Formosa Chief" galloped a mile-and-a-quarter in 2mins. 49secs., finishing fairly well spent. It took 32secs. for the last quarter, after negotiating the first three-quarters in 1min. 43.2secs.

"Dun Duke" and "Doubtful" went in company over the mile. "Dun Duke" finished in front in 2mins. 17.4secs., taking 34.2secs. for the last quarter.

"American Chief" and "Weihei Chief" galloped in company over a mile. The former finished in 2mins. 10.3secs., and the latter in 2mins. 17secs. They did the first three-quarters in 1min. 43secs.

"American Chief" did the last quarter in 34secs.

"Essex Chief" and "Kongo Chief" galloped over a mile. They did the three-quarters in 1min. 44.1secs. Then, separating, "Kongo Chief" came out and won in 2mins. 17.3secs., "Essex Chief" finishing in 2mins. 19.1secs.

"Black Jack" galloped the Derby course in 3mins. 32secs., negotiating the first three-quarters in 1min. 40.3secs., and the first mile and a quarter in 2mins. 59.3secs.

"Burning Daylight" went over a mile and a quarter in 3mins. 54.1secs. It covered three-quarters in 1min. 30secs., and the last quarter in 31.1secs.

"Grey Goose" took 3mins. 7.2secs. for the mile-and-a-quarter, 1min. 58.3secs. for the three-quarters, and 2mins. 56.2secs. for the mile.

CRICKET NOTES.

[CONTRIBUTED.]

The convincing manner in which the R.G.A. beat Kowloon last Saturday furnished many with food for thought, for, strong though the Artillerymen were, few, if any, expected them to walk over a team which included such good bowlers as D. M. Goodall, H. H. Taylor, A. de Souza, C. P. James and L. J. Blackburn. Kowloon missed C. J. Stapleton, who was down with the "flu," and J. H. Mead.

Talking it over with one of the players, I was unable to discover the reason for Kowloon's collapse. "The side just went to pieces," he said, "the bowling was not extraordinary." "Nerves?" "No such thing; each man just went in and came out." At one time, Kowloon looked like robbing the R.E. of the record for the lowest score in the League, for they had 9 wickets down for 33 runs, but Robinson, after being let off twice, compiled a very useful 31 runs.

The R.G.A. men battled with confidence, the wicket and the bowling being to their liking. Sharman was shaping very well when he was caught by Crocker. Mann and Athorne contributed nearly half the score of their side. Pestonji should have been changed earlier, and the ball given to Taylor.

Craigengower's fortunes are ebbing, and I fancy that, by the end of the season, they will have to content themselves with fourth place in the League. They have now lost more matches than the R.G.A., Civil Service, Kowloon and the Manchesters, and hold equal place with the Chinese in the number of matches they have lost. I have repeatedly said that the Club must look for new blood. Next year, with the Indian Recreation Club in the League, Craigengower will lose M. H. Abbas, J. D. Noria, D. Ramjahn and W. Omar. It appears that Craigengower has some rule limiting its membership to a certain number. Perhaps it will soon be necessary, in the interests of the Club, to do away with such a rule, if it exists.

When they got the Civil Service out for 121 runs last Saturday, a few optimists had hoped that Craigengower would eclipse that score. Unfortunately, however, there was no one to come to the aid of Bass and Thompson, who, as on so many previous occasions, did the bulk of the scoring for their side.

It was a pity that the Manchesters contented themselves with allowing their match against the Chinese to be a draw. One is inclined to the opinion that if they had adopted more forcing tactics they would either have won or gone so close to winning that it would have been a very sporting defeat. The soldiers' bowling was better than their fielding or batting.

The Manchesters are playing Kowloon to-day and will be fortunate if they can effect a draw.

Both the Navy and the University have been most hardily used by Dame Fortune this season, and have had to submit to more than one defeat from teams weaker than themselves. When, therefore, they met on Saturday last, the match caused some speculation. The University's success must have delighted their supporters. All the scoring was done by the quintette who form the backbone of the team.

Signaller Hack's 84 runs, the biggest innings he has yet made in Hongkong, was more in keeping with his reputation than that many of his recent performances have been. It was the first time anyone had played right through an innings, unbeaten, in any cricket this year.

LEAGUE TABLE.

(UP TO FEBRUARY 15th).

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
R.G.A.	10	7	1	2	53
Craigengower	12	7	4	1	29
Civil Service	10	6	2	2	20
Kowloon	9	5	3	1	18
Manchesters	9	4	3	2	14
University	12	3	5	4	12
O.R.C.	10	2	4	4	10
Navy	10	1	8	1	7
R.E.	11	1	10	1	4

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SPORT.

CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER v. R.G.A.

The following will represent Craigengower in their League match with the R.G.A. on Craigengower's ground to-morrow, at 2 p.m.: R. Bass (captain), F. Thompson, T. Ford, G. Manley, W. Hall, A. Arculli, U. Omar, L. Lammert, M. Abbas, S. Jox and A. Goldenberg.

C.R.C. v. CIVIL SERVICE.

This League match will be played on the C.R.C. ground to-morrow, and the following will constitute the home team: Ng Sze Kwong (captain), Yew Man Tsun, Geo. Lee, Harry Ching, Un Hew Fan, James Wong, Sin Man Ping, Chow Yat Cheong, Wong Po Keung, C. F. Lee and Cheung Wing Kui.

I.R.C. v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the I.R.C. against the University, on the latter's ground, to-morrow afternoon: A. R. Ramjahn, G. C. Earde, S. H. Ismail, A. A. Ramjahn, S. A. Ismail, N. M. Bux, J. D. Noria, A. L. Andree, E. Moosdeen, S. D. Ismail, R. Nazarin. Reserves: A. B. M. Samy and D. Ramjahn.

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG F.C. v. ROYAL NAVY.

The following have been selected to represent the Hongkong F.C. in their match with the Royal Navy in the Hong Kong shield competition to-morrow at 4.15 p.m. on the Club Ground: G. Rodger, F. W. Black and J. McCubbin, T. B. Chassels, J. Stewart, and J. D. Carriere; A. H. Clark, B. Pascoe, D. Reichelmann, H. McTavish and E. Riss. The Navy team will be selected from the following: Crocker, Parker, Warren, Hattley, Biggs, Chapman, Brewer, Smith, Travis, Burton, Neal, Hines, Goodacre and McEwen.

KOWLOON F.C. v. 88th CO. R.G.A.

The following team will represent Kowloon in a second division League match versus the 88th Co., R.G.A., to-morrow, kick-off at 2.30 p.m. sharp, on the Club Ground: V. F. M. de Britto; A. Jackson and C. P. Cave; A. van Langenberg, G. White and A. Simmons; F. Wheeler, J. Rasmussen, T. L. Knight, W. Hyder and B. A. Hyder. Reserves: J. Lima and K. Mason.

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Unr. Baines (R.G.A.)	5 "
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Serge. Graham (R.G.A. v. O.R.C.)	7 "
L. E. Lammert (O.C.C. v. Manchesters)	8 "
H. Overy (Kowloon v. O.C.C.)	13 "
R.E.O. Bird (Civil Service v. R.E.)	14 "
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L. E. Lammert (O.C.C. v. Navy)	13 "
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Yew Man Tsun (O.R.C. v. R.E.)	4 "
Serge. Graham (R.G.A. v. R.E.)	4 "
R. Pestonji (Kowloon v. R.E.)	4 "
Serge. Graham (R.G.A. v. Manchesters)	7 "
Lieut. Kennett (Navy v. O.C.C.)	7 "
Serge. Hall (Manchesters v. R.G.A.)	10 "
Pto. Maloney (Manchesters v. R.E.)	10 "
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BELFAST AND GLASGOW STRIKERS RESUME WORK.

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GERMANY.

SPARTACISTS DIRECTING SERIOUS STRIKE MOVEMENT.

LONDON, February 18th.

A message from Berlin says the situation in Germany is daily becoming more precarious owing to the great activity of the Spartacists.

A general strike has now broken out in the Ruhr regions. The strikers at Essen have declared that not a single ton of coal shall be given at present to the Government and the strike will be continued until the socialisation of the Ruhr mining industry takes place, and the Government troops are recalled.

The Spartacists are directing the entire movement. Alarming reports from Weimar state that the Post Office there is occupied by the military, and troops are held in readiness.

The strike of employees at the large stores in Berlin is assuming large proportions; over sixty thousand have struck and it is expected that Berlin will be completely paralysed.

Later reports state that the Spartacists have suppressed the newspapers in the Ruhr region, while armed Spartacists from Essen, Düsseldorf and other places are pouring in to Muelheim, which is apparently the centre of the movement.

MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS RESIGNS.

COPENHAGEN, February 17th.

A message from Weimar states: The *Vossische Zeitung* states that Count Brockendorff von Rantzau has resigned.

BALE, February 18th.

The *Frankfurter Zeitung* states that Count von Rantzau resigned after the signature of the Armistice. The Government asked him to remain.

WILL NOT SURRENDER MERCANTILE MARINE.

AMSTERDAM, February 19th.

Meetings continue to be held throughout Germany protesting against the "theft" of the German colonies and the retention of prisoners.

Herr Erzberger sent a long communication to Marshal Foch, refusing to place the German mercantile marine at the disposal of the Entente, unless agreements were reached assuring Germany's food supply and safeguarding German crews.

THE RHINE-LAND.

RECOVERABLE FROM GERMANY.

LONDON, February 17th.

In the House of Commons, at question time, Mr. Quest, for Mr. Winston Churchill, stated that the Allies were considering the question of the Rhine-land, which was recoverable from Germany under the armistice terms.

DRAWING GERMANY'S TEETH QUESTION OF REDUCING HER FIGHTING POWER.

PARIS, February 18th.

The Armistice Commissioners are discussing the quota of troops which Germany can be allowed to retain and to which she must immediately reduce her establishments.

The reduction of men and war material must be accompanied by a corresponding reduction of Germany's capacity to produce guns and munitions, which will entail the destruction or transformation of a certain proportion of her armament factories. The Allies also intend to forbid Germany to keep troops in certain German provinces.

The French case, regarding the left bank of the Rhine and the security of France's eastern frontier, might thus be met.

PROBABLE NAVAL CLAUSES OF THE PEACE TERMS.

PARIS, February 17th.

The Armistice discussions will be resumed on February 18th when Marshal Foch returns from Treves.

It is almost certain that the final naval peace terms will include the complete destruction of the fortifications of Heligoland and the Kiel Canal, opening the latter to ordinary traffic and leaving Germany with a navy only sufficient for defensive purposes.

THE BABY KILLERS. MORE GERMAN ATROCITIES.

PARIS, February 17th.

The Polish Foreign Minister acquainted the Allies with the Germans' inhuman treatment of the first batch of repatriated Polish deportees, comprising 25,000 men and women and 650 children, who were conveyed to the Polish frontier by day and night, in open trucks, in twenty-one degrees of frost, causing the death of fifty-six children. While they were at the frontier station, the Germans robbed their money, foot-wear and extra clothing and detained men of fifteen to thirty-five years.

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS. THE RESULTS.

COPENHAGEN, February 17th.

A message from Vienna, dated February 17th, states that the result of the elections of the National Assembly, so far, were:—Social Democrats, 31; Christian Socialists, 11; German Nationals, 2; Burgeois, 1; Democrat, 1; Czech, 1; Jewish National, 1.

Six women were also elected.

THE INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC WORSE TYPE THAN PREVIOUS OUTBREAK.

LONDON, February 17th.

Influenza is spreading rapidly. In Edinburgh, last week, 138 deaths occurred through influenza, of which 90 developed pneumonia.

In Glasgow there were 262 fatal cases. The authorities state that the epidemic is of a much worse type than the previous outbreak.

At Newcastle there were 94 deaths compared with 43 in the previous week.

ALARMING STATE OF AFFAIRS IN AUSTRALIA.

A message from Sydney states that influenza is paralysing business throughout the Commonwealth. Fifty thousand have been rendered workless. The streets in Melbourne and Sydney are deserted. Melbourne hospitals are unable to take any more patients.

BRITISH LABOUR UNREST. GLASGOW AND BELFAST MEN RESUME WORK.

LONDON, February 18th.

Work will be resumed in Glasgow on Thursday, the men accepting the employers' terms for a forty-seven-hour week, pending a national settlement. Work is being resumed in Belfast.

INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE TO BE CONVENED.

FOR SETTLING LABOUR DISPUTES

LONDON, February 18th.

The Ministry of Labour announces that the Government is calling a National Industrial Conference on February 27th, at the Central Hall, Westminster, and states that the purpose is to provide an opportunity for members of the Government to meet representatives of the industries of the country in order to discuss the prevalent industrial unrest and obtain the views of employers and work-people on the subject. Invitations are being issued widely with a view to making the Conference fully representative of the industrial community.

HOLLAND.

REFUSES TO CEDE ANY TERRITORY.

THE HAGUE, February 18th.

The Foreign Minister, replying to a question in Parliament regarding the Belgian demands on the left bank of the Scheldt, said that the Dutch Minister in Paris had been instructed to inform the Peace Conference that questions affecting Holland should not be discussed without Holland's case being heard. Any demand for a cession of any part of Dutch territory will be met with a decisive refusal.

THE LATE SIR WILFRID LAURIER.

LONDON, February 18th.

All the papers pay a tribute to the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier's services to the Empire.

OTTAWA, February 18th.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier passed away quietly. His wife was by his bedside. There are many signs of mourning amongst all parties. A state funeral has been arranged.

THE CABLE CENSORSHIP. NOT TO BE LIFTED YET.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Bonar Law stated that the Government decided that it was impossible at present to end the censorship.

Mr. Kiley drew attention to the fact that cables to America were not censored while those to Australia were censored.

Mr. Bonar Law replied that he was not aware of this but the matter had been carefully considered with a view to making relaxation complete and compatible with the public interest.

CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTORS MAY BE RELEASED.

AFTER THE GENERAL DEMOBILISATION.

Mr. Bonar Law stated that Government was considering the question of the liberation of conscientious objectors but was not prepared to give preference to this class before the general demobilisation of the army. (Loud cheers.)

THE "INDEPENDENT SOUTH AFRIKANDERS."

NO BRITISH BOAT WILL TAKE THEM.

CAPE TOWN, February 17th.

The Nationalist Republican Deputation are endeavouring to secure passages for Europe by a non-British ship at the earliest possible date.

THE EXCLUSION OF UNDESIRABLE ALIENS.

BILL TO BE INTRODUCED SHORTLY.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Shortt, Home Secretary, stated that the Bill dealing with the deportation and exclusion of undesirable aliens would be introduced shortly. If it was true that over 20,000 enemy and other aliens were at present at Rotterdam with the object of returning to England as soon as peace was signed his present adequate powers for excluding aliens would be used.

AERIAL NAVIGATION BY CIVILIANS.

REGULATIONS TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons, Major-General Seely, moving the second reading of the Aerial Navigation Bill, explained that its object was to restore civilian flying rights under regulations solely designed to protect the general public. He said the Associated Powers had made considerable progress respecting the question of the regulation of aerial navigation concerning which a Conference would be held at Paris shortly.

THE JUGO-SLAV ARBITRATION SCHEME.

PARIS, December 18th.

Telegrams from Rome state that Italy declined to accept the Jugo-Slav scheme of arbitration on February 17th.

THE RE-ELECTION OF MINISTERS.

BILL TO REDUCE THE NECESSITY.

LONDON, February 18th.

In the House of Commons, a Bill abolishing the necessity for the re-election of Ministers after appointment to office was read a second time.

LATER.

During the Committee stage the Government accepted an amendment in the Re-election of Ministers' Bill limiting freedom from re-election to a period of nine months after a General Election.

THE SUGAR TRADE. RESTRICTIONS REMOVED.

LONDON, February 17th.

The Food Controller has revoked the order prohibiting dealings in sugar outside the United Kingdom except under a permit.

THE ALLIES AND RUSSIA. PROBABLE MOVE OF THE ASSOCIATED POWERS.

PARIS, February 17th.

The Supreme War Council, to-day, longly considered the Russian situation.

Responsible British circles think that the Associated Powers will probably decide to renew the invitation to the various Russian Governments to meet them. Moreover, the invitation will stipulate a short time limit and insist upon their compliance with the spirit of the Poinkaro proposal.

BOLSHEVIK-RIDDEN RUSSIA.

M. LENIN WILLING TO TREAT WITH THE ALLIES.

STOCKHOLM, February 18th.

A message from Helsingfors states that differences have arisen between the Soviet Government in Moscow, headed by M. Lenin, which is willing to come to terms with the Allies, owing to the hopeless economic situation, and the Soviet at Petrograd, headed by M. Trotsky and M. Zinovieff, which energetically protests, stating that the Bolshevik occupation of the Ukraine offers a possibility of procuring bread and fuel.

BOLSHEVIKS SUSTAIN SEVERE DEFEATS.

Reports from Kiev state that the Ukrainians severely defeated the Bolsheviks twenty kilometres from Kiev, and elsewhere in the Ukraine.

FORGING FRESH LINKS.

OVERSEA PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE FORMED.

A meeting of members of the House of Commons, specially interested in the Dominions, decided to form an Oversea Parliamentary Committee with Mr. Newton Kinloch Cooke as Secretary.

EARLIER CABLES.

THE SILVER MARKET.

SINGAPORE, February 20th.

The silver market is quiet.

THE FRENCH PREMIER.

ATTEMPT TO ASSASSINATE M. CLEMENTEAU.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "DAILY BULLETIN"]

NEW YORK, February 18th.

An Associated Press message states:—Seven shots were fired at M. Clemenceau, the Premier of France, at point-blank range by Emile Cottin, known in anarchistic circles at Milan. One bullet struck the Premier.

One bullet entered under the right shoulder and lodged under the left shoulder, missing the spinal cord and lungs, the other two wounds being scarcely more than abrasions of the skin on the right arm and right hand. Two other bullets passed through M. Clemenceau's clothing.—*American Wireless.*

GERMAN PRISON CAMP HUMOUR.

The *British Times*, the organ of the British prisoners of war at Schneidemuhl Camp, in North Germany, in its last issue before the signing of the armistice, published the following item:—
"A Scotswoman had her leg shattered. The doctors were not sure if he would have to have it off when he was taken to hospital, so did not tell him. When he came round, they told him they had been obliged to take it off.
"You've taken my leg off! Where is it? You find that leg; it's got to be in the stocking."

"AN UNFORTUNATE COINCIDENCE." CHINESE CONSTABLE'S LAPSE.

"He may have gone to have a cup of tea, but he may also have gone for a sleep," said Mr. King, A.S.P., to Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, in reference to a Chinese constable who was charged with breach of duty.

Mr. D. J. Lewis appeared for the defendant and pleaded guilty. He said that the defendant had been in the Force for three years or more, and, during that time, had not been guilty of any serious offence. On the night in question, he was on duty and about an hour prior to going off duty.

Mr. King (interrupting): An hour and a half.
Mr. Lewis: About an hour and a half before his duty finished, he went to a public lodging house for some tea. Some other members of the Police happened to visit the same place in search of suspicious characters, and he was detected. He (Mr. Lewis) did not think the prosecution suggested that any ulterior motives actuated the defendant. It was a perfectly harmless and innocent action, except, of course, that the defendant was in uniform and on duty. He suggested that a small fine would meet the case.

Mr. King pointed out that the C.S.P.'s views on the subject were quite different. Mr. Lewis: The C.S.P.'s views are merely views.

Mr. King proceeded to tell the Court that when other policemen raided the house, they found the defendant rising from a bed. He may have gone there for a little tea, or he may have gone there for a sleep. He went on duty at 6 p.m. and was discovered in the house at 8.30 in full uniform and armed with a revolver. The Police regarded the offence as a serious one, and he asked the Magistrate to inflict a severe punishment.

The Magistrate: It is not suggested that the man was there for any unlawful purpose?
Mr. King: No, but the man did not say he was tired or feeling sick, or make any plea by way of extenuating his offence.

Mr. Lewis remarked that it was a most unfortunate coincidence that on the very night the police raided the house, the defendant should have been found there.

The Magistrate enquired what character the defendant bore in the Force.

Mr. King: A fair record.
The Magistrate inflicted a fine of \$50, or one month's imprisonment, remarking that the offence was punishable with a fine of \$200.

POLICEMAN'S EXPERIENCES SEVERE STRUGGLE WITH AN ARMED MAN.

After a severe struggle, and with the assistance of some *fohis* of a shop, a Chinese Police-sergeant arrested an ex-gang bird, who was armed with a fully loaded revolver.

The prisoner was charged before Mr. J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy, yesterday, with being in unlawful possession of a revolver and ammunition.

Sergeant Murphy stated that the Chinese Sergeant noticed prisoner disembarking from the Yaumati Ferry launch, and, being suspicious, followed him. Later on, he noticed the man attempting to hide something underneath his coat, so he went up behind him and embraced him. A struggle ensued, but the sergeant proved to be the stronger of the two and managed to take his prisoner to a shop in Yaumati, where some *fohis* held him. The Sergeant then searched the man and found the revolver. Prisoner pleaded that the revolver was handed to him by another man who promised to give him \$15 if he sold it. This was untrue. Prisoner had served a term of three months' hard labour for theft.

Prisoner asked the Magistrate to banish him.

Mr. Wood passed sentence of twelve months' hard labour.

NECESSITY KNOWS NO LAW AN "EVERLASTING TROUBLE."

At the Magistracy, yesterday, before Mr. J. R. Wood, a Chinese was charged with stealing a quantity of scrap-iron from a yard in Yaumati.

Sergeant Murphy stated that, as a consequence of previous thefts in the yard, a strict watch had been kept, and, as a result, defendant was arrested, while throwing some iron over a fence. "This scrap-iron business gives us everlasting trouble," added the Sergeant.
Defendant, when asked what dialect he spoke, said he originally spoke the Shanghai dialect, but had forgotten his native tongue.
Mr. Wood sentenced defendant to 21 days' hard labour.

CANTON NEWS.

[BY COURTESY OF THE "CHUNG HOI SAN PO"]

CANTON, February 20th.

REPATRIATION OF ENEMY SUBJECTS.

Owing to enemy subjects in the province of Kwangtung living in different places, it will take time for them to come to Canton. In view of this and at the Dutch Consul's request, the Civil Government has ordered that they reach Canton on or before March 10th. They will then be sent to Shanghai for repatriation.

THE INTERNAL PEACE CONFERENCE.

A message from Shanghai states that the peace envoys have reported to Peking and Canton that the Conference will be formally opened on the 20th inst. Another message states that, owing to the continuance of fighting in the Shensi province, Tong Shun-yi, the Chief of the Southern Envoys, has proposed that the Conference be postponed till the fighting has stopped and the National Defence Corps has been demobilised.

RAILWAY MATTERS.

The director of the Sun Ning Railway Company, who proposes to construct a branch line to the Sun Wui district, is being sued as the construction has not been sanctioned by the authorities. The Tsuchi has ordered the Military Superintendent to deal with the matter, and to have the railway guards dispersed if they do not stop the work.

On the 17th inst, the after part of a train on the Canton Hankow Railway, left the rails, while on the way from Canton to Shikwan. Fortunately, no loss of life was reported, but several passengers were slightly injured.

THE SUSPICIOUS VESSEL.

The *Yung An*, a vessel, was stopped by the Commander of the Tigris Force owing to her suspicious movements, was released yesterday when it was found that she was sent to Canton by a Commander from Fokien for the conveyance of important documents to the Tsuchi, Peking Cable News.

Cables have been received from Peking stating that Shun Chun-huen has requested the Peking Government to appoint Li Kan-yuen Civil Governor of Canton. The Peking Government has agreed to submit the matter to the Shanghai Conference.
The Peking Government has requested Luk Wing-ting, and Shun Chun-huen to sit on the Committee of the Demobilisation Bureau.

WAS SHE LED AWAY BY "FAIRY TALES?"

ADOPTED DAUGHTER ROBS HER BENEFACTOR.

A Chinese girl pleaded guilty before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Magistracy, yesterday, to stealing \$320 from her foster-mother.

The complainant stated that she had put the money away in a basket. On discovering her loss, she questioned the defendant, who admitted having taken it at the instigation of another party living in the same building.

Inspector Boulger advanced the theory that the defendant was a "soft" girl—just the sort to be led away by the "fairy tales" of others. The Police, he said, had not completed their inquiries.

Mr. J. H. Gardiner, who represented the complainant, said that the latter believed that the girl was not really guilty of the offence, attributed to her. She had been induced to commit the robbery by others.

The Magistrate: She pleads guilty. Mr. Gardiner asked for bail, pleading that the defendant was a girl of tender years—14 or 15, he thought. The Magistrate was inclined to the belief that she was 15 or 20 years of age. Eventually bail was granted in \$500.

BILLIARDS.

THE HONGKONG CHAMPIONSHIP.

S. P. Law and Tai Ming Tak met last night at the Victoria Recreation Club. The game was a very keenly contested one, Tai Ming Tak winning by only 4 points. At one stage of the game, Law was leading by 100 points. Tai Ming Tak scored slowly, but steadily. Law's best breaks were 44 and 41, and Tak's 33.

CANADIAN AND AMERICAN CASUALTIES.

There is a curious resemblance, says a contemporary, between the casualties of the Canadian forces and the U.S. armies in the war, though the former were engaged for nearly four years, and the latter for little over a year. The Canadian casualties number 213,000, with 50,047 dead; the United States' toll in 330,117, with 53,109 dead. Canada has lost only 2,800 in prisoners, and the Doughboys 3,233.

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CHRISTIAN UNITY.

BISHOP OF HEREFORD'S SERMON
TO DISSENTERS

The Bishop of Hereford (Dr. Hensley Henson) preached in the Eignbrook Congregational Church, Hereford, recently, this being the first time in the history of the diocese that a bishop of the Church of England has delivered the sermon in a Non-conformist chapel. The occasion was a "united service" in connection with the autumnal meetings of the Hereford Free Church Council, and there was a crowded congregation. The Bishop was accompanied in the rostrum by the Rev. E. Bowen (Congregational) and the Rev. J. Meredith (Baptist).

The Bishop referred to the pamphlet, "The Naked Truth," written by his predecessor, Bishop Herbert Croft, in 1875, in which he made an earnest appeal to the authorities of the Church and the State to cease their persecuting policy, which had brought so many conscientious ministers into cruel sufferings and in which he asked Non-conformists to consider whether the points on which they had separated from the Church were still in themselves sufficient to justify separation. He (the Bishop) wished that that pamphlet could be re-published at the present juncture, when so many reasons were forcing thoughtful Christians to reconsider their denominational position and seriously to ask themselves whether the time had not arrived for realising the full effect of knowledge and experience on their inherited systems, and so, perhaps, by the mercy of God, putting an end to their long conflicts, and bringing a great reconciliation. We had reached the point at which we were beginning to see that whilst the Toleration Act might solve the old political problem of how to combine religious dissidence with civic security, the religious problem of how to secure Christian unity apart from visible religious fellowship remained unsolved. "We are conscious of profound discontent with the existing situation," declared his lordship. "We can see that we have reached a state of denominational division which threatens Christian unity and gravely weakens the credit and power of Christianity. The question now is, how can we combine the principle which is indispensable to religious sincerity with the union which is indispensable to ecclesiastical efficiency? There is a general consensus of opinion that we cannot go on as we are going on. The facts compel a change."

CHURCHES LOSING GROUND.

He was not much impressed by the alleged decline of the denominations as shown by statistics of numbers of communicants, members, or Sunday-school attendance, which might be explained by the mobility and fluidity of social life, in which the churches stood to lose, as they assumed a stable social order and stationaryness of population. "Statistics do not greatly matter," the bishop said, "for they are always more or less misleading, but loss of moral influence is the real test, and I cannot conceal from myself that, tried by this test, it is impossible to deny that there are strong reasons for thinking that the Christian churches have been losing ground. The effect of the war has been unfavourable to the prestige of the churches, not to the religion of Christ. It is felt everywhere that there is something extremely and surprisingly unsatisfactory about the instruments through which the Gospel of peace and goodwill has to address its message to the nations, which are so plainly hungering and thirsting for nothing else. The only professedly universal church, the Church of Rome, has had its chance and missed it, and the other churches which could not even pretend to a universal character had had no chance to make, and it has become plain to everyone that a Christian society shivered into fragments, unable to speak with one voice, unwilling to maintain fellowship among its members, is not congruous with a Gospel which concerns mankind as a whole."

In view of the problems of reconstruction after the war the nations turned to the Christian Churches and implored them to justify their superhuman claim and to save the world. A company of divided and self-centred sects could not essay the great task. Only in fellowship, thinking together, praying together, working together, could Christians rise to the supreme opportunity which reconstruction implied. It should be possible for the present representatives of both Church and Dissent, confronted by the new and difficult circumstances of our time, to consider together what the restoration of the Kingdom of God really required. The single leadership of Christ compelled the association of His disciples in a religious family. "One is your teacher, all ye are brethren." With regard to the suggestion that the Church of England should admit to Holy Communion anyone admitted to Communion in his own Church, the bishop said: "The great Sacrament of community is not adequately treated by any Church which sets a hedge about it so thick that genuine Christians, seeking the gift of Christ's shrine are turned back from the table." The treatment of Holy Communion should be that which made it not a symbol of denominational distinction, but the witness of our common allegiance. It should not be impossible, for the leaders of the Churches to apply this principle without endangering any genuine ecclesiastical interest, or wounding any legitimate religious sensibility.

CRICKET AFTER WAR.

IMPORTANT CHANGES.
TWO-DAY COUNTY MATCHES.

Important decisions regarding the regulation of first-class county cricket matches were arrived at by a meeting of the Advisory County Cricket Committee in London on December 16th.

Lord Hawke, who presided, deprecated drastic action, and himself put forward a programme of reforms upon which the decisions of the committee were, generally speaking, based. Those decisions were as follows:—

County matches for the 1920 championship to be limited to two days, instead of three.

If one day is wet, the decision to be made under the one-day match rules.

Play on the first day to be from 11.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m., and on the second day from 11 a.m. to 7.30 p.m., thus taking advantage of the Daylight Saving Act.

Luncheon break forty-five minutes, and no tea interval; tea or other refreshments to be sent out on to the ground.

No Saturday starts.

A proposal to increase the over to seven balls was defeated, and it was agreed that a minimum of six out and home matches will qualify a county to compete for the championship.

Lord Hawke said that he feared the majority of the county clubs had been led away with the idea that some great changes in cricket were absolutely necessary. While some small alterations might please the public, he begged them to think twice before making drastic changes. As to Lancashire's proposal to play two days instead of three, surely, with a higher standard of play and the great wish of the public to see a finish, it was folly to recommend reduced hours of play. Taking the Yorkshire results for 1911 and 1913, of the twenty-eight matches in each season, only four and five respectively were finished on the second day, and by the proposed extended hours only nine more of the fifty-six would have attained a definite result in two days. Two-day matches would mean a loss of revenue, for if one of the days were wet there would be no third day to recoup. Lancashire's proposal to commence play at two o'clock each day, and play till eight, would mean that players would not have a satisfactory lunch, and go to bed with a more elaborate tea interval. What amateur was going to play till eight, or even 7.30, as a rule, and arrive at his hotel for dinner at nine o'clock or 8.30? The play before lunch was an old-time institution, built up by county members from whom a county club's revenue had always been derived. Essex suggested that the championship should be on a modified basis. In an Australian year, the number of matches for the competition had always been reduced to six, and as we were pretty sure to have an Australian tour—although so far no official communication had been received by the Committee of the M.C.C.—it might be taken for granted the M.C.C. would certainly agree to this suggestion. Essex also proposed a championship of the north and a championship of the south, the winners to fight out at Lord's. That was no new idea. It might have been suggested by the reduced number of trains which were now running. On the other hand, might they not look forward by May, owing to the return of thousands of miners, to a large increase of the train service. Leicester and Sussex proposed, the former not less than five amateurs, and the latter not more than four professionals, to play. County cricket was the essence of our national game; the best players in a county, whether amateur or professional, should be selected by the county's representatives. Let a county play as many amateurs as it pleased; there should be no hard and fast rules as far as this matter is concerned. He wished to submit the following suggestions to the meeting:—

(1)—Play the ordinary championship with the usual three days, doing all possible to finish in two days.
(2)—Reduce the number of qualifying matches to six out and home.
(3)—Hours of play: First day, twelve to seven; second day, 11.30 to seven; third day, 11.30 to 7; lunch at two o'clock on all days.
(4)—Saturday starts.
(5)—No tea interval; refreshments could easily be sent out as in old days.
(6)—Half-price to the public after five o'clock.
(7)—Umpires not to be so particular as to the state of the wicket after rain.
(8)—LAW 45 (Days minutes allowed between batsmen going out and coming in) should be rigorously enforced. The umpires to report at the end of the season, and, if unsatisfactory, the M.C.C. should be asked to consider a penalty.
(9)—Seven balls in the over.
(10)—Captains should persistently insist into their sides keen cricket and more enthusiasm for the game.

At the end of a long sitting the following decisions were officially communicated. The county championship is to be carried on in 1920 in a modified form. All county matches are to be restricted to two days, play extending from 11.30 to 7.30 on the first day, and from 11 o'clock to 7.30 on the second day. There will be no tea interval; tea or other refreshments, being sent out on to the ground. Matches being limited to two days, there will be no Saturday starts. A minimum of six out and home matches will qualify a county to compete for the championship. The proposals to extend the over to seven or eight balls were defeated, so that the over will consist of six balls as before. The suggestions to limit the professionals in county elevens to any arbitrary number were also quashed, as was a resolution to abolish nurseries for young county players.

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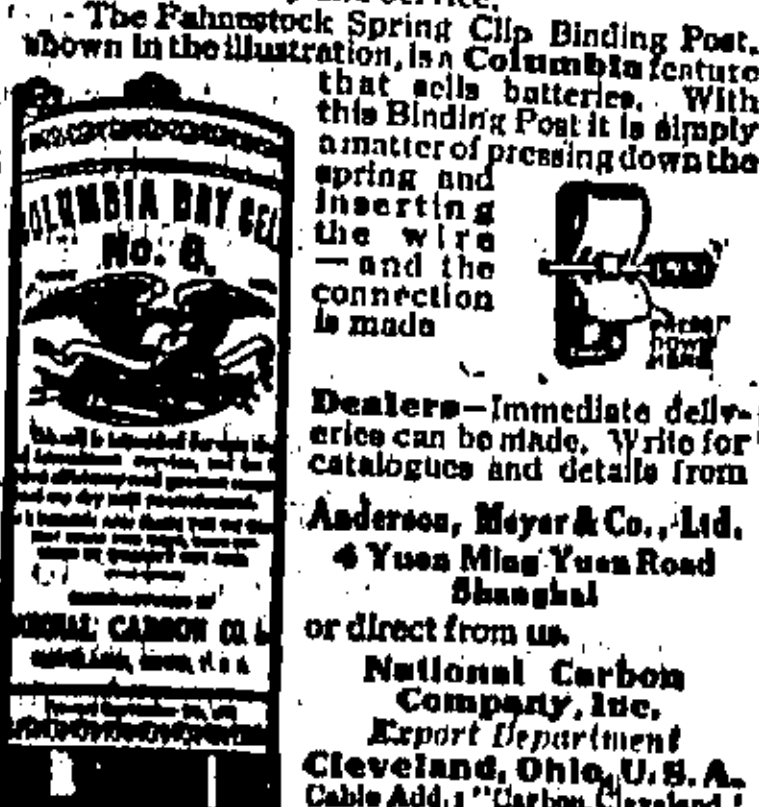
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(NUMBERS OF TICKETS PURCHASED ON EXHIBITION FROM 3.30.)

STATEMENT.

Tickets sold, 28,700 at \$5.00 each	\$143,500.00
Donated to War Charities 500	2,500.00
Expenses	67,000.00
Prizes (50) as per list	\$143,500.00
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Prizes to be drawn.

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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

February 20th

Cheung Ma, Japanese str., 1,823 tons, Capt. Fujita, from Hongkong, which port she left on February 19th, with a general cargo, including rice.

Chifu Maru, Japanese str., 3,003 tons, Capt. Miyamoto, from Singapore and Bangkok, with a general cargo.

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Colombo, American str., 3,448 tons, Capt. Follett, from San Francisco, which port she left on January 14th, with a general cargo.

Glennary, British motor ship, 3,200 tons, Capt. Rogers, from Singapore, which port she left on February 17th, with a general cargo.

Kaga Maru, Japanese str., 2,015 tons, Capt. Igawa, from Keelung, which port she left on February 17th, with a general cargo.

Osaka Maru, Japanese str., 1,827 tons, Capt. Ekanaya, from Moji, which port she left on February 14th, with a cargo of coal.

Sapporo Maru, Japanese str., 1,328 tons, Capt. Ogawa, from Muku, which port she left on February 14th, with a cargo of coal.

Shincho, Chinese str., 1,096 tons, Capt. Hudson, from Saigon, which port she left on February 14th, with a cargo of rice.

Taiho Maru, Japanese str., 2,740 tons, Capt. Nishimura, from Calcutta and Singapore, which port she left on February 7th, with a general cargo.

Tanaka Maru, Japanese str., 1,590 tons, Capt. Nishimura, from Melbourne, which port she left on January 28th, with a general cargo.

Tecumseh, British str., 4,247 tons, Capt. Stewart, from San Francisco and Swatow, with a general cargo.

Yangchow, British str., 1,216 tons, Capt. Simons, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo.

Yangtze, Chinese str., 999 tons, Capt. Jones, from Saigon, which port she left on February 14th, with a cargo of rice.

CLEARANCES

February 20th

Ara, for Haiphong.

Chip Shing, for Canton.

Chuen On, for Hoihow.

Daishin Maru, for Kobe.

Han Yang, for Wuhu.

Haichow, for Tientsin.

Huach Wu, for Ronghai.

Yung Lee Loy, for Saigon.

Zachow, for Swatow.

Poatung, for Wuhu.

Shan Cheung, for Kwong Chow Wan.

Shien Maru, for Nagasaki.

Sunming, for Shanghai.

Tak Sing, for Haiphong.

Tai Maru, for Kobe.

Taiho Maru, for Kobe.

Telenachus, for Saigon.

PASSENGERS

ARRIVALS

Per s.s. *Kaga Maru*, on February 20th: Mr. and Mrs. A. Fronke, Mr. Y. R. McVath, and Mr. S. K. Cubien.

Per s.s. *Tango Maru*, on February 20th: Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Beattie, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Traser, Mr. and Mrs. C. Lindburgh, Miss T. Playfair, Mr. A. Craig, Mr. M. K. Boyd, Pastor and Mrs. W. A. Spicer, Mrs. M. E. Jenkins, Mr. J. H. Baster, Mrs. A. E. Wearne, Miss K. H. L. Koon, Miss M. Kibb, Miss E. Stevenson, Miss D. Goodfellow, Mr. J. V. Litchfield, Miss R. S. Haines, Mrs. M. A. Whitting.

Per s.s. *Colombo*, on February 20th: Mr. M. R. Anderson, Mr. W. J. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Delval, Miss Bessie L. Dickson, Rev. and Mrs. F. M. Perrill, Rev. and Mrs. M. T. Tites, Miss E. M. Worke, Mrs. Annie Gibson, Mr. H. E. Ralphs, Mr. R. E. Bellows, Mr. H. F. Buckner, Mr. R. A. Curry, Mr. A. T. Dahl, Mrs. R. Joseph, Miss J. Jouraev, Mrs. R. S. McLean, Miss D. McLean, Mr. C. R. O. McLean, Mr. H. A. MacIntyre, Miss Mary A. Murray, Mr. F. L. Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. J. Spunt, Mr. W. G. Smith, Miss Bessie M. Abbott, Miss K. J. Coughlan, Mrs. Mildred A. Everett, Mrs. E. M. Gideon, Mrs. A. D. Johnson, Mr. L. A. Lyall, Miss L. K. Lyall, Mr. Jack Levy, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Lawrence, Miss F. Lawrence, Miss K. Lawrence, Mr. D. F. Morrison, Mr. D. W. Mahan, Mrs. J. A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. McGrath, Miss J. E. McGrath, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Fremont Morse, Miss Alice F. Morse, Miss Isita G. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Luis de Mandaluz, Mr. Robt. M. McCarty, Mr. Harry Rosenberg, Mr. Lewis B. Robinson, Mr. Hasarum Reimann, Mr. R. C. Schultheis, Mrs. B. Schwarzkopf, Mr. John A. Turner, Mr. F. C. Todd, Mrs. S. W. Thompson, Mrs. Sara Wall.

SHIPPING ITEMS

It is expected to despatch the s.s. *Colombo*, which arrived yesterday from Manila, to San Francisco, via Shanghai, Japan Ports and Honolulu at 4 p.m. next Wednesday.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* left Tientsin for Hongkong on February 19th and is due at Hongkong on or about February 22nd.

The *Africa Maru*, which arrived here on Wednesday, reported that small-pox had broken out at Kobe. One Chinese stevedore passenger died at Nagasaki.

The trial trip of the Tai Yih Steamship Company's steamer *Ching Chang* took place at Shanghai, on February 12th and proved satisfactory to all concerned. The vessel is a composite one of over 1,000 tons, and was formerly known as the *Steed*, but has been completely rebuilt and fitted for the Shanghai, Chetoo, Tientsin and Hongkong trade. She has accommodation for twelve first-class and 400 third-class passengers. Special attention has been given to the provision for the quick handling of cargo, modern steam winches and derricks being provided. Another feature of the vessel is that her twelve decks are not constructed as to be readily converted for the cattle carrying trade. She has one compound engine of 900 h.p., giving her a mean speed of nine knots.

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FOR	STAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA	"LOONGSANG" Fri.	21st Feb. 2 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	"CHOYSANG" Sun.	23rd Feb. Dlight
TIENTSIN	"CHIPSING" Sun.	23rd Feb. Dlight
SHANGHAI	"WOSANG" Thurs.	27th Feb. Dlight
SHANGHAI	"WINGSANG" Thurs.	27th Feb. Dlight
SHANGHAI	"LOKSANG" Thurs.	27th Feb. 8 a.m.
HAIPHONG	"YUENSANG" Fri.	28th Feb. 3 p.m.
MANILA	"YATSHING" Sat.	1st Mar. 3 p.m.

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1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's 2. From Harbour Master's to Blake Pier. From Blake Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAMES	FLAG & REG.	BERTH	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
MARSEILLES & LONDON via S'PORE, P'ANG & C'BO	NORE	Brit. str.	—	—	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 23rd inst.
LONDON or L'POOL via S'PORE, PENANG & C'BO	RADO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 11 a.m.
GENOA	CELESTES MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 24th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN	BURMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN	KORBA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 28th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN	CHINA	Am. str.	—	—	CHINA MAIL S.S. CO., LTD.	On 24th Apr.
NEW YORK via PANAMA CANAL	COLOMBIA	Am. str.	—	—	PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.	On 28th inst.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE & TACOMA	BLOOMFONTHIN	Brit. str.	—	—	THE BANK LINE LIMITED	On 28th inst.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, E.	AFRICA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 28th inst., at 3 p.m.
VANCOUVER via SHANGHAI, JAPAN & C.	FUSHIMI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 22nd Mar., at 11 a.m.
AUSTRIAN PORTS	EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Brit. str.	—	—	CANADIAN PACIFIC O.S. LTD.	On 13th Mar.
Buenos Aires, Rio de Janeiro, S. Paulo	Peking Maru	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	Middle of Mar.
VALPARAISO via JAPAN, HONOLULU, SAN FRANCISCO	HIMALAYA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	End of Mar.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	ARYO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 21st Mar.
TIENTSIN	CHITSENG	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day, at 11 a.m.
TSINGTAO & TIENTSIN	HUICHOW	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	SINGAN	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	YINGCHOW	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-morrow at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	CHOTANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 23rd inst., at D'light.
SHANGHAI	YUO MARU	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 24th inst., at D'light.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YUO MARU	Brit. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 24th inst., at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI	SINKING	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 25th inst., at Noon.
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SHANGHAI	ANDRE LEBON	Fre. str.	—	—	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	About 1st Mar.
HAIPHONG	LOKANG	Jap. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 27th inst., at 8 a.m.
TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY	BOSHI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 27th inst., at 9 a.m.
KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY	KAISO MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 23rd inst., at 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOCHOW	HAIBONG	Brit. str.	2 h.	J. W. EVANS	DOUGLAS LAPHAM & CO.	On 25th inst., at 1 p.m.
MANILA	LOONGSANG	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	To-day, at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & CALCUTTA	YATSHING	Brit. str.	—	—	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.	On 1st Mar., at 3 p.m.
CALCUTTA via S'PORE, P'ANG & RANGOON	AKITA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	Beginning of Mar.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA & COLOMBO	YUBARI MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
BOMBAY, COLOMBO	BURMA MARU	Jap. str.	—	—	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	On 27th inst.
JAVA	LIJAPANA	Dut. str.	—	—	JAVA-CHINA JAPAN LINE	On 24th inst.

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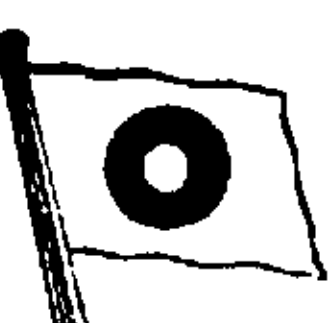


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"EMPERESS OF ASIA"	22nd May	9th June
"MONTEAGLE"	10th June	4th July
"EMPERESS OF RUSSIA"	19th June	7th July
"EMPERESS OF JAPAN"	2nd July	23rd July
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SHANGHAI	"SINGAN"	On 21st Feb. Noon.
SHANGHAI	"YINGCHOW"	On 22nd Feb. 3 P.M.
HONGKONG	"KWANGSE"	On 23rd Feb. 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI	"SINKIANG"	On 25th Feb. Noon.
SHANGHAI	"SUIYANG"	On 27th Feb. Noon.

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DESTINATION	STEAMER & DISPLACEMENT	SAILING DATE
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	110 MARU ... 12,330 tons	24th Feb. at 11 A.M.
YOKOHAMA	SHIDZUOKA MARU 12,520 tons	19th Mar. at 11 A.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU ... 13,780 tons	21st Feb. at 11 A.M.
YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU ... 9,600 tons	31st Mar. at 11 A.M.
SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE		
LONDON or LIVERPOOL, via SINGAPORE, MALACCA, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	SADO MARU ... 15,950 tons	22nd Feb. at 11 A.M.
MELBOURNE via MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, TRUR, BRISBANE & SYDNEY	MISHIMA MARU 15,950 tons	24th Feb. at 11 A.M.
NEW YORK via SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SAN FRANCISCO and PANAMA CANAL		
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA & COLOMBO	YUBARI MARU ... 8,000 tons	Beginning of March.
CALCUTTA via HONGKONG, PENANG and RANGOON	AKITA MARU ... 8,000 tons	Beginning of March.

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FOR	PER	DATE
Bangkok	Osaka Maru No. 1	Friday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Thienstin	Huscho ...	Friday, 21st, 9.00 A.M.
Japan via Nagasaki ...	Tango Maru ...	Friday, 21st, 10.00 A.M.
Cebu *Dole and *Europe via Suez ...	Glenary ...	Friday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Shanghai and *North China ...	Singun ...	Friday, 21st, 11.00 A.M.
Philippine Islands ...	Loonyang ...	Friday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
*Straits, *Bangkok, *Bombay, *Aden, *Egypt and *Europe via Suez ...	Hejo ...	Friday, 21st, 2.00 P.M.
Swatow and *Bangkok ...	Chillar ...	Saturday, 22nd, 9.00 A.M.
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Java and Port Moresby via Batavia ...	Rodjani ...	Saturday, 22nd, 3.00 P.M.
*Swatow, *Shanghai and *North China ...	Chowping ...	Saturday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Tientsin ...	Yangchow ...	Saturday, 22nd, 5.00 P.M.
Shanghai and North China ...	Sudo Maru ...	Sunday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and *Europe via Suez ...	Kajo Maru ...	Sunday, 23rd, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung ...	Tippas ...	Monday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Java and Port Moresby via Batavia ...	Mishima Maru ...	Monday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and *Europe via Suez ...	Iyo Maru ...	Monday, 24th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai, N. China, and Japan via Kobe ...	Tjitiwang ...	Monday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
Bangkok ...	Agamewon ...	Monday, 24th, 2.00 P.M.
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	Bank Bill, on demand ... nom.
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer ... nom.
	Bank Bill, on demand ... nom.
ON SHANGHAI.—	Bank Bill, at sight ... nom.
	Private, 30 days' sight ... 143 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	On demand ... 143 1/2
ON MANILA.—	On demand—Feb. 20 ... 131 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand ... 133 1/2
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WEATHER REPORT.

February 20th, at 12.15.—No returns from Japan, Vladivostok and the Philippines. An anti-cyclone of moderate intensity has developed over China, and pressure has increased moderately in that region and decreased slightly elsewhere. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the China coast, and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall, for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.25 inches, against an average of 2.59 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT	FORECAST.
Hongkong to Gap Rock ...	(N. and N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, drizzling rain.)
Formosa Channel ...	(North winds, strong.)
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